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There May Be No NHL, But Hockey Is Alive & Well In Haliburton County

Haliburton has a long and honourable hockey history, stretching back as far as even the oldest old-timers' memories can reach. During the 1930s and 40s, the Dart family, who owned and operated the village bakery, were great supporters of the game. Reg Dart coached at many levels, and his sons Jack and Glen were prominent players. Glen is recalled as one of best players Haliburton produced during his era: in the war years Glen played for the RCAF in Moncton, and at home for the Haliburton Huskies.

Don't Miss Glen Dart Tournament Coming In March

After the war Glen Dart became Haliburton's Recreation Director, an important municipal position in post-war small town Ontario. The Director would run the hockey and baseball leagues, supervise the rink and the parks, coach many of the local teams, and even organize the Santa Claus Parade. Glen Dart coached all the minor hockey teams, so practically a whole generation of Haliburton players were touched by his genuine love of the game. With no television or Internet, community events were a huge part of the available entertainment – and activities.

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Glen Dart Tournament Features Great Local Hockey Action

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In 1951, tragedy struck the Dart family. Glen suffered a serious concussion during a hockey game, and died later that same year. The loss was felt profoundly in the close-knit Haliburton community. A committee was soon formed to organize a suitable memorial and a year later, in 1952, the first annual Glen Dart Memorial Hockey Tournament took place. The original committee consisted of Joe Iles, Fred Nieman, Ron Curry, Albert LaRue, and Berkley Feir. Glen Dart coached Joe Iles at the Junior level, and Joe still has the fondest memories of him as a hockey player, a coach, and a person.

Original Glen Dart Committee

From Left Joe Iles, Fred Nieman, Ron Curry, Albert LaRue, Berkley Feir

The original Glen Dart Tournament was, by design, an entirely local affair. Teams from Haliburton, West Guilford, Wilberforce, Gooderham, and Eagle Lake all took part. Scotty LaRue, a tyke participant in the first Glen Dart, remembers with laughter that some of the villages could only put forward "two or three players who could play: the rest of the team would be filled out by a bunch of really little guys."

Throughout the years the focus of the tournament shifted somewhat to include teams from other counties, but in the last few years, with the advent of the Haliburton Storm's highly successful House League, it's returned to its roots. When the House League was formed four short years ago, it numbered just 80 boys and girls. This year it counts 147 youngsters from ages 3 to 14. Glen Dart was a highly competitive hockey player, but he believed fiercely in fair play and honest competition. It was a joy for him to see the kids from all walks of life participating and learning from the game.

Thanks to the Storm's hard-working volunteers, coaches, and parents (and a great bunch of kids), Haliburton hockey's future looks very bright indeed. And there's no doubt that Glen Dart would be awfully proud of his legacy.

This year marks the 53rd consecutive year of the Glen Dart Memorial, making it one of the very oldest youngsters tournaments in all of Canada. It starts this year on Friday, March 11th at 5 PM and continues all day Saturday, March 12th starting at 8 AM. Drop in on any of these games at the Haliburton Arena and you'll see just how much fun hockey can be.

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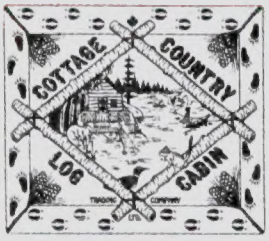

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The Great Haliburton Feed Co.

It Is Always Raining Cats & Dogs At The Great Haliburton Feed Co.

by Stephen Patrick

When Maureen Adams was a little girl cottaging on Scugog Lake her mother distinctly remembers her trying valiantly to save the frogs her brothers would collect for bait, or worse. Well, as they might have said, the child is mother to the woman, so it should be no surprise that Maureen is now in her 10th year as owner of the Great Haliburton Feed Company (and, as a sideline, the unofficial adoption centre for the County's furry, four-footed homeless and needy.)

Maureen Adams

This month the Feed Company moves to a terrific new location opposite County Auto on Industrial Park Road in Haliburton. With them goes 10 solid years of providing quality pet foods and supplies to Haliburton's animal lovers. The store supplies high-end dog and cat food as well as a wide range of birdseed and feeders, deer feed and some farm feed as well. She also sells fish tanks and equipment, fish food, filters, heaters, and of course the fish themselves, both fresh and sea water varieties. Starting a home aquarium isn't as easy as it looks, and Maureen and her staff are more than ready with expert advice for the novice.

In keeping with their reputation for quality goods, Maureen will soon be supplying the Royal Canin line of products for dogs and cats. Royal Canin has a well-deserved reputation for supplying high-energy pet foods as well as a full line of "natural blend" holistic dog foods (of course dog food can be "holistic!") made with no preservatives of any kind. And soon the Feed Company will be featuring the full line of, wait for it, the "Chicken Soup for the Pet Lover's Soul" brand of dog and cat foods. This is another line of "super high quality" pet foods made from all natural ingredients that is becoming increasingly popular in the highly competitive pet food market across North America.

Pet pampering has probably never reached the highs our pooches and kitties currently enjoy. For example, a recent survey produced astonishing figures on what exactly we spend on Christmas presents for our pets. But there's a dark side as well. Kittens, puppies, dogs and cats, pet rabbits, you name it, are also abandoned in distressing numbers. There are significant populations of abandoned or feral cats and kittens throughout the County, as well as litters of unwanted pups and dogs of all breeds.

One month after Maureen opened the Feed Company in 1995 she was phoned by someone with a litter of unwanted kittens and asked if she knew anyone who would take them. Maureen decided to take the kittens and offer them to her customers for a simple "adoption fee". She figured that her customers, avid pet owners, would appreciate the gesture. And soon, more and more of the strays and the unwanted turned up until, 10 years later, Maureen estimates that almost 7000, yes that's seven thousand, dogs, cats, rabbits, gerbils, and guinea pigs have been adopted out of her store. Did I forget to mention the pot-bellied pigs? Or the three-foot iguana? And what about the hedgehog?

Maureen has also worked closely with Dysart's by-law of-

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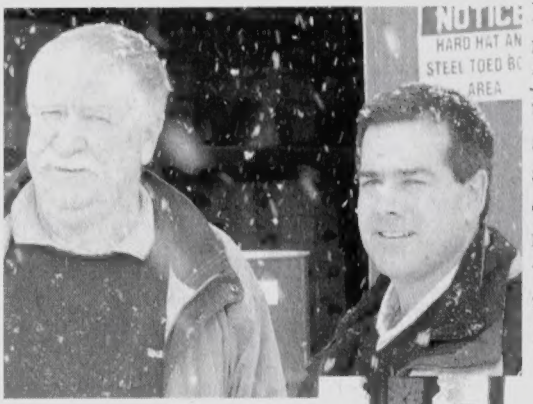
New Owners & New Name For Sid Stamp Fuels

A Community Icon since the 60's

"What it all comes down to in the end is service, pure and simple," says Brian Black, who with his wife Dorothy has owned and operated Sid Stamp Fuels for the past 20 years. And that tradition of service, of knowing and caring about your customers and your community, has been a part of the company since its beginnings in the early 1960's.



Above: Brian Black with Dave Frost (New General Manager. At right: Brian with his wife Dorothy.

Dorothy's father, Dave Stamp, founded the business in 1962 as a distributor of White Rose (remember them?) heating fuels and gasoline. When he passed on in 1967 Dorothy's brother Sid took over and gradually built the company into Haliburton's major general fuel supplier and installer of furnaces and heating systems. Finally, in 1985 Brian and Dorothy bought Sid Stamp Fuels and made it into one of the most highly successful independent fuel businesses in Ontario. Last year the Blacks decided it was time to retire and the difficult business of selling had to start.

When it comes to something as essential as home heating, most customers, both business and residential, like to think that they're more than just an account number to the oil company. In larger centres, this just doesn't happen. But in Haliburton, despite the County's rapid growth, personal service is still expected, and in large part delivered. Brian and Dorothy's major concern was that the new owners, whoever they turned out to be, would not only respect their customer base, but also would appreciate and retain the company's highly trained and loyal staff. Sid Stamp Fuels employs 11 people full time, including five licensed oil burner technicians.

Some offers initially came in that expressed much more interest in the customer list than the company itself, which wasn't acceptable. But finally a deal was struck with Ottawa Thermoshell Inc. that satisfied all the Black's requirements, and the transition was formally completed just before Christmas. For the last two months Brian Black has overseen the transition to what's now known as Sid Stamp Thermoshell and has worked closely with the new boss, Dave Frost, General Manager of Ottawa Thermoshell.

One of the things that most impressed the Black's about Thermoshell's offer was the commitment to local staff, and Dave Frost's understanding of how local business works. "Local input and local management have been essential ingredients in the success of this business," says Frost, "and we plan to keep it that way."

But, you might ask, isn't Thermoshell a part of Shell itself,

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Sid Stamp Fuels cont'd...

Pictured are the Sid Stamp crew, from left to right: Dan Arbour, Grant Shaw, Jeff Black, David Farrell, Mike Billings, Tim Turcotte, Brian Hughes, Judy Hardy, Jamie Jones, and Vicki Dollo.

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one of the largest multinationals in the entire known world? Answer, yes, but the Thermoshell subsidiaries, of which there are five in Canada, are in fact virtually autonomous entities. Sure, they report to the big boys, but their mandate is local. For instance, Ottawa Thermoshell now operates local businesses in five different communities: Bancroft, Pembroke, Renfrew, Ottawa itself, and now Haliburton.

The Blacks, and Sid Stamp Fuels, have a long tradition of giving back to the community, notably through their sponsorship of the Rotary Club's annual Snowarama event at the Forest Reserve. The new owners are fully committed to continuing to support the event, and will consult with Brian (and the remaining staff) regularly about donations to other worthy causes.

But most importantly, the staff and service tradition will remain the same: Brian Hughes, an employee since 1988, continues as Heating and Cooling Installation Supervisor, Jeff Black (Brian and Dorothy's son) is Truck Dispatcher and Delivery Supervisor, and Judy Hardy remains Office Administrator. Which is just the way it was before, and just the way the customer likes it. Sid Stamp Thermoshell can be reached at 286-1088.

Great Haliburton Feed Co. cont'd...

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ficer, whom she credits with facilitating the adoption of many unwanted dogs. The Feed Company de-worms and de-fleas the animals, but shots are up to the new owner. Maureen can't accept sick animals either, and cautions that all new owners should consider very seriously their decision. Pets are great, but they're also work, and money, and responsibility – for life.

In the future, at the new location, Maureen has tentative plans for an outdoor petting zoo for the summer, and in addition to the new lines of pet foods, will shortly offer the widely respected Remington Training Supplies.

As for her own personal adoption society? It will continue as before, as The Great Haliburton Feed Company's way to give back to the community that supports them. The store is open Monday to Saturday from 9 until 6 and can be reached at 457-9775.

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Dr. Brenda Peddigrew – "Doctor of the Soul"

Dr.Brenda Peddigrew brings to the Highlands a different meaning to the title of "doctor". Seeing individual clients, she calls her work "Spiritual Therapy", a new field that acknowledges both the smaller and larger meaning of every person's life. Spiritual Therapy brings together all the ordinary and often contradictory details of daily life with the spiritual, or larger meaning of connection with the world and with the invisible forces that shape our lives. The first question often asked is "does spiritual mean religious?" And the response is this: religion can be a way into the spiritual – or not. Religion concerns external dogmas and practices; spirituality is lived from within; it is the sense of meaning and larger connection we find in our lives, and in that sense is much more individual than religions can allow.

But there is more to Dr. Peddigrew's work than individual sessions.

A growing theme in our world is our overdoing – of everything: over-buying, over-eating, over-activity. We rush and go. We achieve and want to keep on achieving. We make a life of looking for bargains and accumulating stuff. For many people, there is a sense of life being out of control with busyness and demands. People come here for a slower pace, a less frenzied existence, but bring with them all the busy noise and constant activity they are trying to get away from, even those who move here, and are not just summer visitors. We don't know how to allow the slow silence of the forests and the lakes to calm us, yet we long to live close to them without fully knowing why.

Here is where Brenda's work offers a different perspective. Whereas many workshops focus on learning external skills, hers open opportunities to know your inner self. And the way to this knowing is quiet, stillness, listening to what's going on inside. Learning silence and stillness, we can begin to act, not react; we can choose, and not just have choices made for us; we can come to know our questions, and not have someone else give us answers before we know what our questions are. Brenda believes that there is a great need for this in our world, where so much is going on externally that we have little or no time to think, to ponder, or to collaborate with other thinkers before we have to make a decision about something important. Not only is slowing down a helpful thing to do; she believes it to be a health issue.

To make a beginning, Brenda is offering four brief workshops on the Sunday mornings in April, from 10:30-12:30 at Club 35 in Halls Lake. These are:

April 3: Encountering Quiet; April 10: Learning Stillness; April 17: Manifesting Your Intentions; April 24: Labyrinth as Spiritual Practice (includes walking a 40-foot, seven circuit labyrinth).

These workshops are not sequential and any may be taken without the others.

Cost is $10 per workshop and pre-registration is required. Call 489-3509, or email brenda@soulwinds.ca

Dr. Peddigrew, who is sometimes called "a doctor of the soul", sees that an avoidance of one's inner life, of knowing what one knows, contributes significantly to the fear, anxiety, narrow viewpoint and mindless frantic buzz of our times. Yet, the inner journey also is not easy, and this is undoubtedly why most people avoid it, avoid even the silence that allows it to emerge, surrendering the treasure that lies hidden within each person. Henry David Thoreau declared this in his journals when he said: "It is easier to sail many thousands of miles through cold and storm and cannibals than it is to explore the private sea, the Atlantic and Pacific ocean of one's own being"

Canadian Artisit Otto Don Rogers Visiting Haliburton

Award winning Canadian Artist Otto Don Rogers, member of the Royal Academy of Arts, will be presenting a slide show and giving a talk on:
"Art: An Expression of the Human Spirit" Friday, March 4th, 8 P.M. at the new Sir Sandford Fleming Campus in Haliburton.

Rogers taught art at the University of Saskatoon from 1959 and was Head of the Art Department from 1973 to 1978. Otto Rogers paintings and sculpture can be found in over 1500 public, corporate and private collections in Canada and abroad.

This free event is sponsored by the Baha'is of Haliburton and everyone is welcome to attend.

CHANGE: Then, Here, There Exhibition March 23 to April 23

Where were we one hundred years ago? What did we look like and do?

To get some answers to these questions, be sure to visit the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden March 23 to April 23 to view the Change: Then, Here, There Exhibition.

This exhibition examines who we are and where we are going with a collection of images highlighting Minden and glimpses of the gallery when it began, a tribute the Dr. Agnes Jamieson, with a suggested look into the future with Riverwalk project displayed.

The Haliburton Art & Craft Show Call For Entries

So you are the artistic type? Then you might very well be interested in taking part in this year's 41st Annual Haliburton Art & Craft Show that is scheduled for July 22 – 24.

The Rails End Gallery is calling for entires. The application deadline is March 31, 2005 so if you are interested, you should get your application in right away.

For those of you who don't already know about this grand event, the Haliburton Art & Craft Show is an outdoor show held in Head Lake Park in Haliburton village. This is a juried show that welcomes applications from a wide range of artists and crafts people. It is sponsored by Rails End Gallery, a non-profit community Art Gallery. The Haliburton Art & Craft Show is the primary fund raising event of the year for the Rails End Gallery and is attended by more than five thousand area residents and tourists alike.

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Pottery: Learn basic pottery skills using both hand building and wheel throwing to create, decorate and glaze a variety of pots. This course is being held Tuesday, March 22 to May 24 & Saturday June 4 . The cost of the course is $242.77 The class is being led by instructor Wayne Rose.

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The course is being offered Saturday March 26 – April 23 and is intended for children 8 – 16 years of age. April Gates is the instructor.

Get Your Copy Of This Year's Course Catalogue

Sir Sandford Fleming College also offers a number of courses in Computer studies, Spanish Language, Natural Resources, CPR and First Aid Training, Communications and Body Work such as Yoga, Meditation, Kick-boxing and Pilates.

MARCH 1st they released their Haliburton School of The Arts 2005 Calendar, featuring approximately 400 Arts courses beginning this coming May. For more information or to register please call the Haliburton Campus at 705-457-1680.

You can also find them on the web at: http://www.HaliburtonSchoolofTheArts.ca

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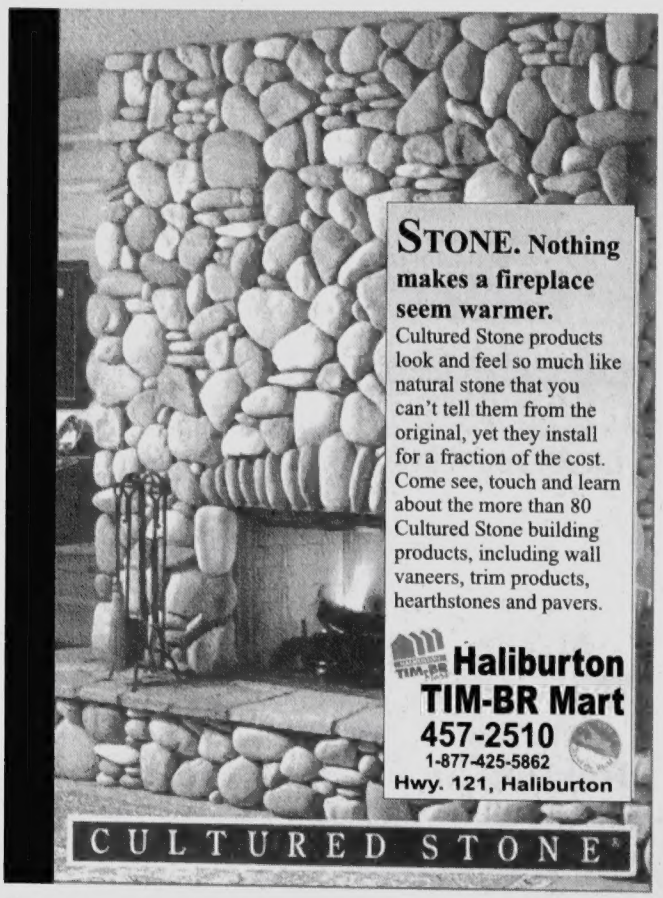

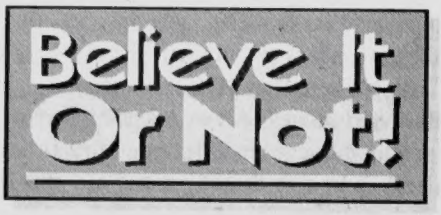

An Oldie but a goodie..

The saying "waiting till the cows come home" is about 400 years old and refers to the early morning hour when cows line up at gates, ready for milking.

I Almost Don't Believe This....

Almost" is the longest word in the English language with all the letters in alphabetical order.

Go On Now...

"Go" is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.

Talk about your traffic jams...

In Tokyo, a bicycle is faster than a car for most trips of less than 50 minutes.

I never would have guessed....

The initials M.G. on the famous British-made automobile stand for "Morris Garage."

Now I Don't Have To Count Them Myself...

There are 42 dots on a pair of dice.

Something Smells Fishy About This One...

There are odor technicians in the perfume trade with the olfactory skill to distinguish 20,000 odors at 20 levels of intensity.

Kidz Korner

By Trevor Guyton

In light of the recent cancellation of the NHL season, I decided that I should do this edition of Kidz Korner on something related to hockey. I was sitting at the Wilberforce arena wondering what to write about when my mom asked me a question. She was wondering why the referees wear black and white striped jerseys. Giving it some thought I realized I did not know, and so for everyone else (who like me) does not know I decided to do some research.

This is what I was able to find out. Referees wear striped shirts because back when there was only black and white television it was hard to distinguish their orange jerseys from the visiting teams jerseys. I found
that this was not enough information to make up an article so I decided to keep on looking for information on referees.

Ok, did you know that there are six levels of referee training? The first three levels require 8 hours of training each. The fourth and fifth levels require 14 hours of training, and the sixth level requires 4 days of
training. To pass the first level you just need to attend the clinic. To pass the second level you need to get at least 70% on the test. For the third and fourth levels you need to get at least 80% on the test. For levels
five and six you need to get at least 90% on the test to pass. To be a level 6 referee you need to pass an annual examination and fitness test. You can be any age to take the level 1 test. To take the level 2 test you need to be 16. To take the level 3 test you need to have done at least one year of refereeing at the level 2 level. To take the level 4 test you need to have one year of level 3 refereeing under your belt, and so on and so on for the other two levels. Now think about it- if you started your referee training at the youngest age possible, 16, you will be 22 before you are a fully registered referee, if you only go up one level per year. Once you have successfully passed all of these levels, you should be able to referee any game up to a NHL level game.

So, if you always wanted to skate in the big leagues but were not quite good enough maybe refereeing is a way to realize your dream.

March Break Art Workshops at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery

March 14th to 18th - Ages 6 to 12

Looking for something to do over the March Break? Well if you are between the ages of 6 – 12, there are some great workshops lined up at the Agnew Jamieson Gallery. Instructed by Donna Bisschop and Pegi Eyers, the workshops are as follows:

Making Clay Beads - Mon. March 14 and Tues. March 15, 9-noon - Two day workshop. **Crayon Design on T-Shirts -** Mon. March 14 - 1pm to 5pm; **Bean and Grain Mosaics -** Tues. March 15 - 1pm to 5pm; **FREE MOVIE** - 4 - 5pm - National Film Board of Canada - Kids Animation; **Decoupage Glassware -** Wed. March 16 - 9 - noon; **Handmade Books** - Wed. March 16 - 1-4 pm; **Felt / Construction Paper Masks -** Thurs. March 17 - 9 - noon; **Natural Doll-making -** Thurs. March 17 - 1pm to 4pm; **Artists Trading Cards -** Fri. March 18 - Neat Idea! Create your own art cards 2x3 and trade using all methods of art – great fun and a cool hobby! - **FREE Movie** 4-5 p.m.

These workshops costs $10 per child per workshop - (includes supplies) Please note: Making Clay Beads is a $20 workshop for two days. You may sign-up for as many workshops as you wish! Pre-registration is preferred by calling 286-3763.

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Here's a bone chilling little story. One night after work, a woman (lets call her Jamie) goes to her car in the parking lot at work. In the back seat she discovers an old woman sitting in there. "I'm very sorry to be in your car, but it is very cold and wet outside and the door was unlocked. Please help me. I need to get home and I have no money for a bus. I live on the west side of town," said the woman.

The old woman must be about 85 years old and disoriented Jamie thinks to herself. "O.K, says the Jamie, but first I must call my husband to explain why I will be late. You just sit here and I'll be right back." Jamie returns to the office building and calls her husband and explains that she is simply going to help the little old lady out. "No way are you giving a stranger a ride," cries the upset husband. Furthermore, he tells her she should be calling security to check it out. "There's no way anyone should be in the car without your permission, and it's not your problem. Call security and the police," says the husband.

The woman is reluctant but does so anyway. The police inform the woman to stay in the office and wait for the police to arrive. When the police arrive at the car the woman goes out to the parking lot. The little old woman is still sitting in the back seat waiting for her ride. But as the police quickly discover, the old lady is actually a 22-year-old male dressed as an old woman. He has a machete attached to his leg and is sitting on a hatchet.....

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Travelling Yoga Classes Starting Soon

If you have been wanting to take Yoga, but find you just can't get to the classes, well now, the classes are coming to a neighbourhood close to you.

Holness Yoga Studio is making her studio a "travelling" venture and is now offering classes in Kinmount, Wilberforce, Minden and Donald with YogaFit being offered in both Minden and Donald.

The Relaxing Yoga Class is suitable for people of all ages who are looking for a gentle form of exercise which will help to strengthen, tone and increase flexibility and balance. In this class students will learn how to enjoy their life again through the use of valuable relaxation skills, proven to help people who are suffering from the aches, pains and stresses of life.

The Yogafit Class is suitable for people who are physically fit and are looking for a challenge. The combination of aerobics, yoga, pilates and relaxation techniques makes this a wonderful class to be taken on its own or used as a cross-training tool to improve performance in other fitness activities such as golf, curling, running and the list goes on.

As some of these classes are new it is important to pre-register as minimum enrollment is necessary. You may contact Gail at 455-9294 to ask questions or register. Remember to breathe easy and move freely.

Curves Haliburton Members Raise Money For Heart and Stroke Foundation

Leona Smith of 'Curves' in Haliburton is seen here presenting a cheque for $1,110 to Cindy Bartoli, program director of the Heart and Stroke Peterborough and area office which area includes the highlands. Members of the Curves fitness club raised the money on November 20th when the members participated in the Heart and Stroke Circuit Challenge. Members raised money through pledges. The top 3 fundraisers were Judy Neimann, Karen Lytle, and Carlene Smith.

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Worldly News

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Have You Ever Wondered?...

Who are some of the world's most richest?

According to the Forbes.com 2004 list of the world's wealthiest people, as no surprise, William (Bill) Gates III is the wealthiest man in the world with an estimated net worth of $46.6 Billion. A close second is self-made billionaire Warren Buffet with a net worth of 42.9 Billion. The position of third wealthiest is taken by German undisputed Supermarket King Karl Albrecht with a worth of $23 Billion – about half as wealthy as Gates and Buffet.

So where do some of the more well known people fit in to the equation. Well, let's take George Lucas (Star Wars epic creator). He ranks number 159 with a worth of $3 billion, while Stephen Spielberg ranks number 205 with $2.5 billion.

What about "The Donald"- Donald Trump? He's actually tied at number 205 with Spielberg. Considered one of the most powerful women in the world, Oprah Winfrey comes in number 515 with $1.1 billion. Goes to show you that even if you win $20 million in the Super 7 or the 649, you'd be considered a peasant amongst these people.

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Dumb Criminals

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Why they call it "Dope" - Robert Amato, 42, and Valerie Lawler, 20, stopped by the poslice station in Milford, Conn, to bail a friend out of jail. As they were getting out of their car a passing police officer couldn't help but notice when Lawler dropped a crack pipe on the ground. The cop searched the vehicle and found a bag of cocaine, and arrested the pair for drug possession. Even without the hitch in their plans, they wouldn't have gotten their friend out of jail: they had stopped at the wrong police station.

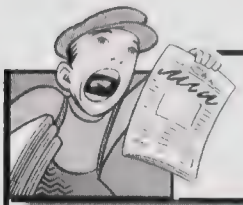
One-Of-A-Kind Bench Competition Offers Artistic Challenge

If you are artistic and want to leave a lasting impression that is not just visible but also practical, you may want to take part in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest's One-of-a-kind Bench Competition.

Canadian artists are invited to submit proposals for a one-of-a-kind bench for the Haliburton Sculpture Forest located in Glebe Park in the village of Haliburton. Two benches will be chosen. Each winning artist will receive an award of $2,500. Winning artists will be responsible for the cost of materials and the above ground installation of the bench.

For proposal details and submission deadlines, see advertisement on page 18 of the issue. You can also visit www.haliburtoncdc.ca or contact The Sculpture et al Committee, Haliburton County Development Corporation, 457-3555.

For those of you who have never seen the Sculpture Forest – definitely make it a siteseeing destination. For the artists and aspiring artists, or for those who just enjoy art in the out-of-doors, you must visit the Sculpture Forest in Glebe Park. This outdoor walking and cross-country ski trail provide an up-close view of some of the most interesting outdoor sculptures in Ontario. This four-season exhibit deserves a visit in each season.



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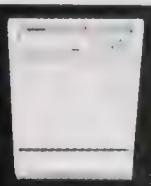

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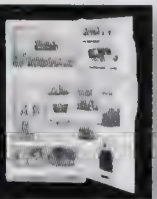

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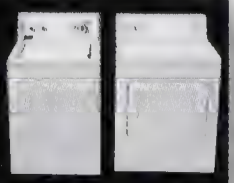

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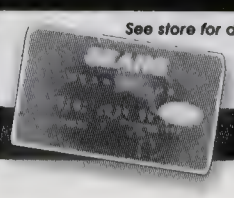

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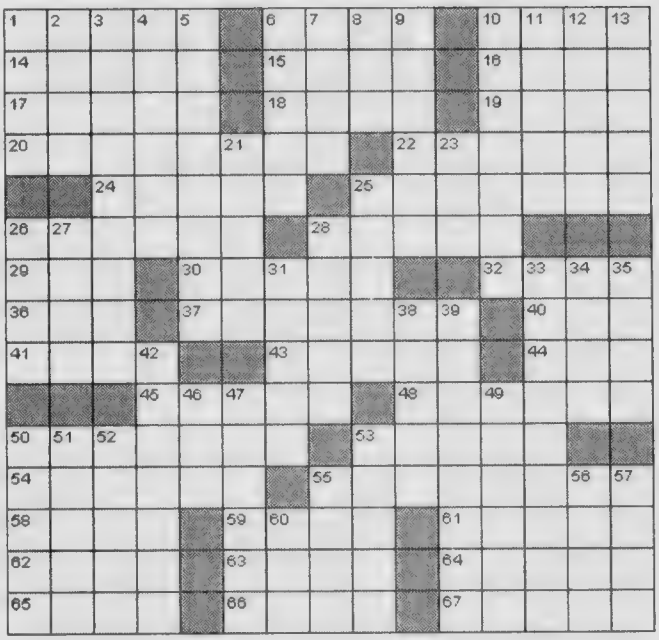

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6 Storm preceder
10 Actress Blanchett
14 Fuming
15 Diva's song
16 Speck
17 Wearied
18 Suffix with old or young
19 Be dispirited
20 Repeats
22 Happy sort
24 Regulations
25 Poetic Percy
26 "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under __"
28 Saudi monetary unit
29 Biblical affirmative
30 Fancy watch
32 Take down __
36 Hippie's hangout
37 Bridge support
40 "Bali __"
41 Endangered antelope
43 Six-Day War leader
44 Smart opening?
45 Sorrowful poem
48 Sign of life
50 What I love, in song
53 Lowly workers
54 Captured again
55 Set of circumstances
58 Karl or Groucho?
59 Movie star Sharif
61 Eye makeup
62 Nobelist Wiesel
63 Confab
64 Key in
65 Inanimate
66 Sacred
67 Escritoires

Down

1 South Pacific republic
2 Proof word
3 Prepared
4 Starter home?
5 Critical warning
6 Lawsuits
7 __ and crafts
8 Tell tall tales
9 Boggy
10 Mrs Parker-Bowles
11 Lagoon site
12 Pith helmet
13 Abrasive substance
21 "__ coffee?"
23 "Give __ break!"
25 Threescore
26 Printing error
27 Listen and pay attention
28 Express again
31 Shelf
33 Gamekeeper's concern
34 Bridge player
35 Actress Lillian
38 Classify
39 Registered
42 Copied in the office
46 Cambodian's neighbor
47 Former Big Apple mayor
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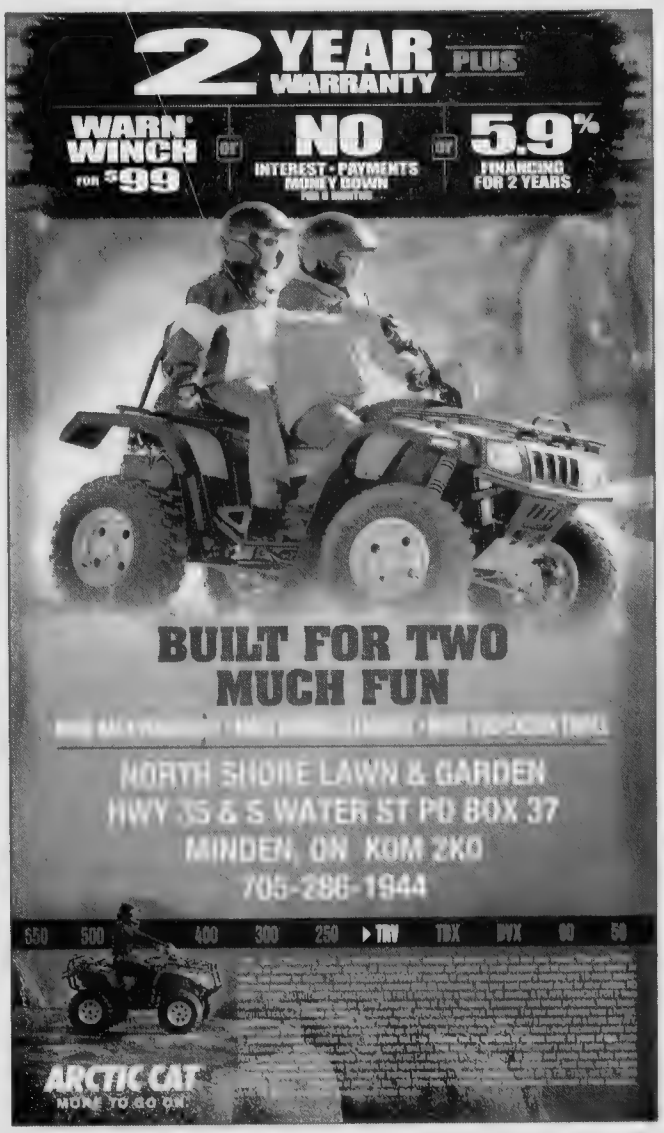

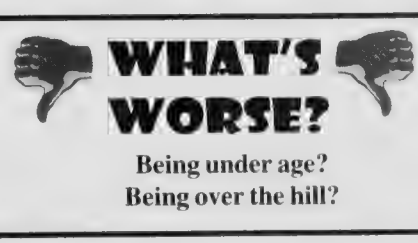

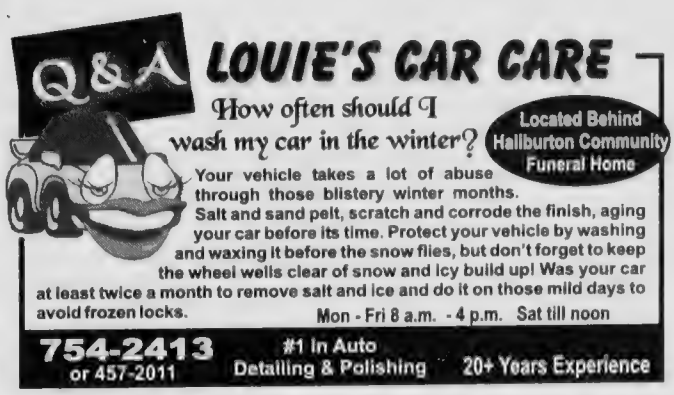

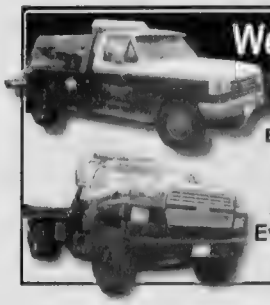

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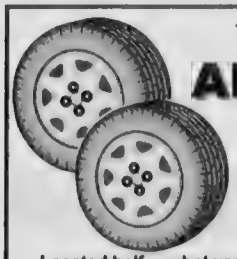

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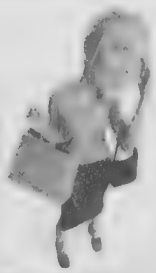

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Say Yes To Common Sense!

NO PRINCIPLES: Chloe Smith, 14, has been expelled from Mustang (Okla.) Middle School after a search of her locker turned up drugs. The school's "zero tolerance" drug policy mandated the expulsion, even though she had a valid prescription for the medication to treat a chronic ovarian disease. "Mustang schools has a very intolerant view toward drug use," explains Superintendent Karl Springer. School policy mandates that any prescription medications be held by school officials.) ...*Clearly a great policy — what could possibly go wrong?*

DESPERATE PRINCIPALS: Some students at West Middle School in Ypsilanti, Mich., may have been denied prescription medications because Assistant Principal Marcus Burlingame, 33, was allegedly stealing their drugs. Burlingame seems to have had a preference for amphetamines prescribed for kids with attention deficit disorder. He apologized and said he would seek drug rehabilitation treatment. He was put on administrative leave, with pay, but so far no criminal charges have been filed. School policy requires student medicines be kept in the school's office. ...*Well... I guess that answers the above question... what could possible go wrong?...*

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Four Local Artist's Work On Display at Sir Sandford Fleming College

Sir Sandford Fleming College presents the work of 4 local artists on display in "The Great Hall," Sir Sandford Fleming College, Haliburton Campus.

The exhibition, displaying the work of Sheila Siman – Basketry, Wayne Hooks – Woodworking, Jane Selbie – Fabric Art and Bernie Nicholson – pottery, will be on display until March 30.

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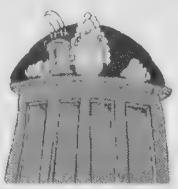


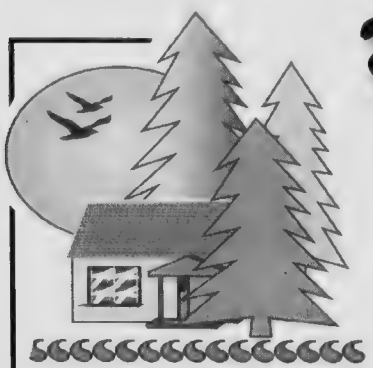
Michigan:

A state law stipulates that a woman's hair legally belongs to her husband.

In Detroit, it is illegal to make love in a car unless it is parked on your property.

In Port Huron, the speed limit for ambulances in 20 m.p.h.

Under state law, dentists are officially classified as "mechanics."



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Criminal Decisions in Civil Proceedings

Consider this scenario. A person is convicted of assault and battery after an argument in a tavern. The convicted person is then sued in the civil courts by the victim of the assault for personal injury. May the victim rely upon the conviction as proof that the assault and battery occurred?

A conviction in a criminal court is admissible as *prima facie* evidence in a civil proceeding. This means that the conviction is considered evidence that the assault and battery did occur but the question for the court to decide is what weight, or probative value, to give to the conviction in the civil proceeding. Is the conviction conclusive evidence of the assault and battery such that the victim suing need not relitigate the issue? Or may the convicted person challenge the conviction in the civil proceeding?

There are two kinds of convictions: convictions after a trial and convictions after a guilty plea. A convicted person in a civil proceeding may argue for the right to relitigate the conviction resulting from the trial. A court will consider a number of factors in determining the issue, such as whether there was a fair criminal trial, a full opportunity to present a defence, and capable criminal counsel representing the accused. In addition, the court will consider whether there is new evidence to tender in the civil proceeding which may establish innocence or cast doubt on the conviction.

A conviction after a guilty plea generally has greater probative value than a conviction after a trial because a plea of guilty is an admission adverse in interest. However, an explanation for the reason the accused pleaded guilty may be relevant evidence in considering the relitigation issue. For example, the accused may testify that it was cheaper to plead guilty and pay the fine (if that was the sentence imposed) than to pay a lawyer to defend the criminal charge. Or, in more serious matters, the accused may testify that a quick plea of guilty was a matter of expediency to avoid possible publicity.

Accordingly, when charged with a criminal offence, a person should consider whether there is the possibility of a subsequent civil proceeding after the criminal matter has been disposed of.

In the next column, I will be talking about when a road over private property becomes a public road for use by all members of the public.

If you got into a taxi and the driver started driving backwards, would the taxi driver end up owing you money?

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Family Services Features: Around a Child

By Stephen Patrick

For most of a century Ontario society has accepted that is has an obligation to remove children from families deemed incapable of providing proper care. Issues of poverty, abuse, or simple neglect can all be reasons for the state to step in and remove a child, forever, from its parents' control. Most of us don't question this extraordinary power of the state. We assume that children, in all their vulnerability, must be protected from irreparable harm, and if the government has to be the one to do it, then so be it.

Today the system of state parenting, involving foster care, group homes, and other institutions, is under increasing pressure and analysis. Too often we read of some young offender who's spent most of his childhood "in a series of 25 foster homes", or who "was removed from his family at age six and was in the hands of various authorities until his sentencing to a juvenile detention centre at age 14" and so on.

Fay Martin, the executive director of the Family Services of Haliburton County, has a blunt view of children in care: "If you're going to do it, do it right. Otherwise, we might as well leave them where they are: to take children from a bad situation into a different, but equally bad system is just wrong. And part of our job is to make it right".

During the 1980s Ms. Martin operated a program for teenagers in care helping them to make the transition to adulthood from childhoods spent in a variety of homes and institutions. Her extensive first hand knowledge of how impossibly difficult that transition can be for so many children in care prompted her to think hard about what alternatives might be created.

"I had a great deal of expertise in what "good" looked like to children raised in child welfare, from my practical experience and doctoral studies, that I was interested in applying. And when I first arrived in Haliburton seven years ago, I began to think that this might just be the place to try to develop something really new."

And so, in the winter of 1999-2000, the "Around A Child" model began to be developed. It involved four "circles of care" around a single crown ward child. The inner circle consists of the caregivers, in effect the child's surrogate family, who are paid a decent, non-taxable per-diem and who have the primary responsibility for the child. The second circle includes strong, multi-generational support from the community. Formal, i.e. paid, respite care is provided, along with informal help and an effective at-home educational program (a kind of "school without walls").

The next circle comprises professional helpers and therapists as warranted, supplied mainly by Family Services staff. And the fourth and final circle represents a long-term ongoing research agenda to determine what works (or not) in order to transfer learning to other circles and settings.

Finally, in October 2001, "Around A Child of Haliburton County" was incorporated as a not-for-profit organization with the goal of developing a treatment foster home program for 12 children. And the first job was to find and recruit suitable caregivers in Haliburton who would be willing and able to take on this considerable challenge. Finally, after many false starts, and the usual bureaucratic nightmares, in the fall of 2002 a young boy of 10 (who had been in various group homes around Northern Ontario since the age of six) became "Around A Child's" first placement.

And a year later a two-year-old Crown Ward in care since birth was placed with the second caregiver family. Both children remain within the program, with the same caregivers, and both are doing very well indeed.

Why did Fay Martin initially think that Haliburton County might be an ideal place to start such an innovative and demanding program? Partly because she was so impressed with its strong sense of community and family, including its history of volunteerism. And she also saw that Haliburton had a high degree of tolerance and support for those gripped by poverty, for the developmentally challenged, and for the eccentric and the old.

She realized, in short, that if any place could be challenged to live up to the old adage "it takes a village to raise a child", Haliburton might be it.

More caregivers are needed to consider participating in this exciting and original program for long-term childcare. From the beginning Ms. Martin insisted that the program pay its caregivers reasonably, and that there be only one foster child per home. If you think you might be interested, please don't hesitate to call Fay Martin at Family Services, 457-5345.

One-of-a-kind Bench Competition For the Haliburton Sculpture Forest

Canadian artists are invited to submit proposals for a one-of-a-kind bench for the Haliburton Sculpture Forest located in Glebe Park in the village of Haliburton, Ontario.

Two benches will be chosen. Each winning artist will receive an award of $2,500. Winning artists will be responsible for the cost of materials and the above ground installation of the bench. Proposal details are provided in the terms of reference.

Deadline for submissions: 3:00 p.m., March 29, 2005
Notification of winning submissions: Early April, 2005
Installation in June 2005

For a copy of the terms of reference please go to:
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Sharon Says So Long But Not Good-Bye To Wilberforce After 11 Years

By Brett Irvine

If you live in the Highlands East area or ever visit the L.C.B.O in Wilberforce, then chances are you've met or been served by Sharon Ridout. Sharon was the manager at the L.C.B.O in Wilberforce for the past 11 years, and now will be sadly missed in the store and community as she has relocated to Eganville, to work as manager at the local liquor store there. "It is a career move for me- a promotion I have been looking forward to for the past year. It will help improve my pension when I retire in the years to come," says Sharon.

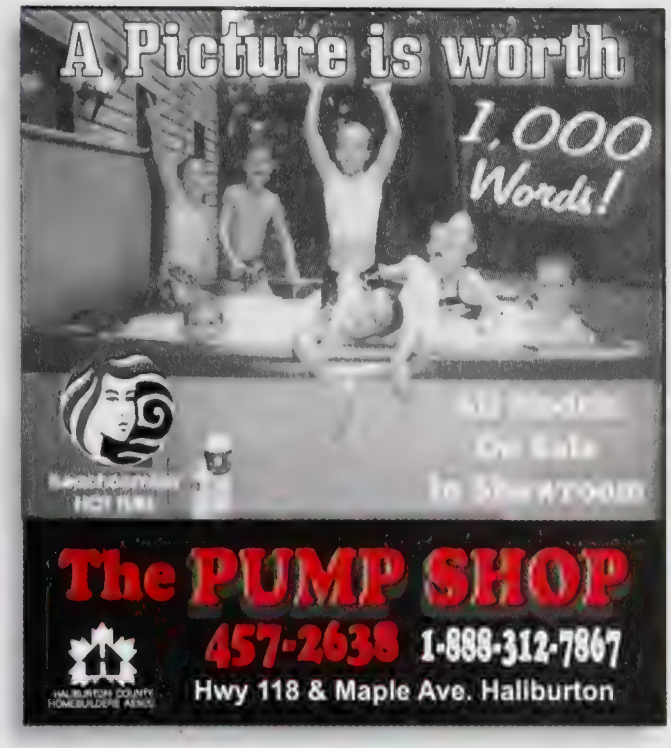
Sharon (right) is pictured with fellow employee, Linda Nottage.

While excited about the move and promotion, Sharon assures she will miss the local people, and the area but will return to visit from time to time. Sharon would like to thank all her past friends, customers and co-workers for their support and friendship over the past years.

" I hope that the local community in Eganville are as supportive as Wilberforce over my past eleven years. I have enjoyed my friends that have come in with gifts of fresh caught fish and maple syrup over the years. For the girls that have worked with me in the past: Hilary Klapow, Jill Tallman, Barb Barker, and Dawn MacCumber, I wish them all luck and good fortune. To the girls who work with me now: Linda Nottage, Pat Taylor, and Andrea Costello, I wish them all the best in their future endeavors. I especially thank Linda for being my right hand for the past eleven years. She was so supportive when I suffered the loss of my mother. I also want to say that none of this would have been possible without the support and confidence of my husband Brett. I love him so much!"

Sharon would like to welcome and wish the best of luck to new manager Doreen Nichols, who comes as a familiar face to anyone who has visited the L.C.B.O in Gooderham.

Sharon adds, " The one thing I will not miss is slugging up to 18 pallets of beer during July and August." Best of luck to Sharon, and be sure to stop by and say hi to her if you are ever in the Eganville area.



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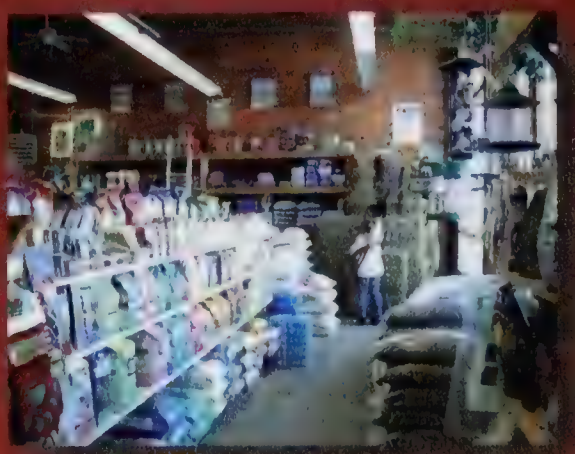

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by the Bashful Comic

A Mafia Godfather finds out that his bookkeeper has screwed him for ten million bucks.

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The Godfather asks the bookkeeper: "Where is the 10 million bucks you embezzled from me?"

The attorney, using sign language, asks the bookkeeper where the 10 million dollars is hidden.

The bookkeeper signs back: "I don't know what you are talking about."

The attorney tells the Godfather: "He says he doesn't know what you're talking about."

That's when the Godfather pulls out a 9 mm pistol, puts it to the bookkeeper's temple, cocks it and says: "Ask him again!"

The attorney signs to the underling: "He'll kill you for sure if you don't tell him!"

The bookkeeper signs back: "OK! You win! The money is in a brown briefcase, buried behind the shed in my cousin Enzo's backyard in Queens!"

The Godfather asks the attorney: "Well, what'd he say?"

The attorney replies: "He says you don't have the guts to pull the trigger!"

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Why does the shower curtain move inward when we turn on the water?

Recent analysis of this phenomenon shows that water droplets slow down due to aerodynamic drag as they fall from the showerhead. As they slow down. Air is pulled in around them, creating a tornado-like vortex. The lower air pressure caused by the vortex is what draws in the curtain.

Book Your Seat Now For Bus Trip To See Opening Of Evita

Join Community Care for a bus trip to the Princess of Wales Theatre to see the opening presentation of EVITA talking place April 27.

Winner of seven Tony awards, EVITA brings to life the dynamic, larger-than-life persona of Eva Peron, wife of Argentine dictator Juan Peron. Eva Peron, blessed with charisma, captivated a nation by championing the working class. Exuberant Latin, pop and jazz influences create a gripping theatrical experience as told through a compelling score by Andrew Lloyd Webber.

One of the most popular collaborations between Webber and Tim Rice, this legendary musical features the memorable song Don't Cry for Me Argentina.

The cost of the trip is $150, $75 payable upon registration, with the final payment due March 25th. The trip includes Dress Circle Tickets, dinner, bus to Toronto and all taxes and gratuities. The bus will stop at the Pickering Town Centre for lunch.

For information or to register, call Roxanne or Amy at 457-2941. All proceeds to support Community Care.

Dining and Entertainment

The Edgar Wylie Band

By Stephen Patrick

Edgar Wylie Still Rockin After 30 Years & They Are On A "Roll"

Suddenly, in the 60s and 70s all across North America, city, suburban, and country garages were filled nights and weekends by passionate teenage musicians all bound for the glory of rock and roll heaven. Pounding drums, screaming guitars, and aching, breaking vocals made a sweet anthem that could cure any combination of adolescent blues – and maybe even get you a gig at a local dance – or even a girlfriend.

Well, life goes on, and usually without much rock and roll glory. But no one said the fun has to stop, or that good young bands can't be reborn with a little hard work, a lot of laughs, and of course, a suitable garage.

Almost 30 years ago, Floyd Henry, his brother Leo Henry, their cousin Rick Stamp, and friend Keith Wylie formed a rock and roll band with the great name of KKUFF that became a top-rated local bar band. KKUFF played the Beaconbrook, the old Paradise Hotel, the Grand in Lindsay, and other bars in Minden and Bancroft. Floyd was on rhythm guitar, Leo took lead, Rich played the bass, and Keith was the drummer. Eventually, of course, the boys all grew up and went their own ways: Rich and Keith moved out of the County, and everyone quickly had real work, marriages, and kids. And that just might have been that, and KKUFF just a really fond memory.

But a few years ago Rick Stamp moved back to Haliburton and the boys decided to get the group together again. Keith Wylie, the original drummer, couldn't join them, but he did offer his garage by his cottage on Kashagawigamog: and young local drummer, Callum Wood, who can actually read music, was happy to join. Finally, Alex Bell, who'd recently moved to Haliburton, came on board as sound technician and mixer. And Alex, as luck would have it, had enjoyed a significant and successful professional career as a sound and lightning technician during the 60s and 70s with luminaries such as Ted Nugent, Alice Cooper. and Bob Seger.

After a lot of practice, and a ton of fun, in November of 2003 the band was on its way to its first gig at the annual Ridgewood Ford Christmas Party held at the Moose, when they decided that it was about time they had an official name. Well, that problem was solved in short order: Rick's late father (and Floyd and Leo's uncle) was named Edgar, and Keith Wylie was the original drummer and had tossed in the garage, so, obviously, Edgar Wylie it would be!

Edgar Wylie plays terrific rock and roll with a lot of energy and not a little professionalism. The band practices hard, and it shows. Edgar Wylie has played almost 20 gigs since they re-formed, at parties and fund raisers, including one recently for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

On March 26th Edgar Wylie will be playing at the Haliburton Legion from 9 pm until 1 am with all proceeds going to help the family of young Keegan Kyle (see accompanying story). Come on out, have a great time, dance your feet off, and prove once and for all that rock and roll goes on forever.

The Music Scene

What's Happening Locally

"Doin' It Doggie Style' - An Intimate Evening With The Rabid Dogs

They are best known for their high energy performances at various 'watering holes' around the county and on Saturday March 12, as a special treat they have decided to share some of their personal favourites rarely performed in public.

That's right... local performing artists "The Rabid Dogs" presents "Doing it Doggie Style" – An Intimate Evening with The Rabid Dogs, taking place at the Lounge Café in Carnarvon.

'The Rabid Dogs' have been a Haliburton County tradition for 15 years. Known for their Rollicking, Rowdy, Blue-infused classic rock, they will be performing a collection of their own personal favourite rarely heard outside the rehearsal hall. Be sure to join them for this exciting evening of fun and frolic!

Concert goers who may have seen 'The Dogs' play elsewhere can expect a more thoughtful, varied, acoustically driven selection of tunes (including some original material) that ranges from jazz to blues to their signature rock and roll. This performance will showcase the musicianship, vocal harmonies and versatility of this remarkable group of individuals.

Tickets ($10 each in advance or $12 at the door) are available through the Lounge Cafe (489-3311), the band members, or by calling 754-1873.

Gordie Trees Band at The Lounge Cafe

Coming in March to the Lounge Café: The Gordie Trees Band live in concert! — a delicious blend of country, folk and blues music from the Yukon. Their country-rock-a-billy-folk-blues sound mixed with no-nonsense lyrics, harmonies and multi-instrumentation has taken this popular Yukon act all over the Northern Festival circuit. This high-octane act is known for their blistering energy, mixing emotionally charged lyrics with grooves that embrace the audience. The Gordie Tentrees Band continues to garner attention as the next emerging group to come out of the North.

The show starts at 8:00 pm. Tickets are $10.00 each. Call 489-3311 for reservations. For more information visit www.theloungecafe.ca.

The Lounge Café is located on Hwy.118, just east of Hwy.35, in Carnarvon.

Open Jam Nights:

The Lounge Café hosts Open Stage on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month. The music starts at 8:00 pm. You can come to just listen or to perform. All ages are welcome. Performers should arrive early and sign up!

Kid's Open Stage:

"Kids Open Stage" for youth 2 to 12 years of age takes place at The Lounge Cafe on the last Sunday of every month. There are 10-15 performing spots each Open Stage Day, and some musical instruments are provided. Magicians, musicians, dancers, storytellers, etc. all welcome.

Edgar Wylie Band Entertaining at Keegan Fundraiser

In the early 1990s Hank and Diane Kyle moved to Haliburton with their young family to start and manage The Cookhouse restaurant at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. The Cookhouse has thrived and become a great success and the Kyle's sons, Korey (19), Kalem (17), and Keegan (11) have grown along with it.

Well, life might often seem simple, but it usually isn't. The Kyle's youngest, Keegan, was born prematurely with only one working kidney. His second kidney has kept him going, but it's still only the size of a toonie and, simply put, isn't going to be up to the job as Keegan grows and matures. Dialysis and further, restrictive treatment seemed to be in the future, until eldest son Korey decided that he would donate one of his two kidneys to his little brother. And so, on May 3rd, the operations will take place in Toronto. The prognosis is good, and now the family can only wait and hope.

However, as many Haliburton residents know all too well, when a family member has to undergo serious medical procedures in Toronto, Kingston, or even Peterborough, there are serious financial consequences. Travel and accommodation costs can be prohibitive: family income is often reduced. Those left at home have to be cared for, and so on. For the Kyle's, this journey has been a long one. They have had disability benefits for Keegan over the years, but they won't cover the costs of what will be a prolonged and difficult Toronto stay for Diane and other family members. Keegan will be in hospital for a full

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month, and must then remain in Toronto for daily checks for another two months at least. And Korey will require significant recovery time as well.

Diane says "We're just overwhelmed, absolutely overwhelmed by the support of the community. Ever since our friend Cathy Lancia started to let people know what we were facing, the response has been incredible. We're just so grateful."

So come on out on March 20th and rock and roll with Edgar Wylie at the Haliburton Legion and give the Kyle family a helping hand.

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Maori Dancers Stick Out Their Tongues At Enemies At Razzamataz Kids Shows!

By Jennifer Paton

The third Razzamataz concert of the season is this Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m. at the Northern Lights Pavilion. The Kahurangi Maori Dance Theatre will present "People of the Pacific", a concert of songs and dances from the aboriginal people of New Zealand as well as nearby countries such as Tahiti and Hawaii. Come to meet aboriginal dancers from the other side of the planet, and to learn how their culture is similar to and different from ours. For instance, the Maori stick out their tongues at enemies to show defiance and ridicule. To be accepted, a stranger must accept the rude treatment without anger.

We are grateful to Stedmans V&S Haliburton, the Haliburton Rotary Club and Floyd Hall Insurance for sponsoring the performance by the Kahurangi Dance Theatre. Our sponsors, along with the Ontario Arts Council, enable us to present this performance right here in Haliburton at an affordable price. Tickets are $6 for children and $8 for adults. Children under 2 are always free. Call Amy at 457-4266 or Stacey at 286-4511 with any questions.

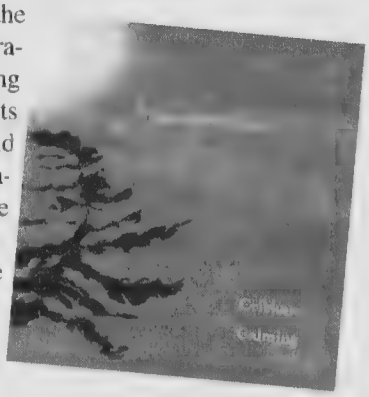
Razzamataz Kids Shows!

You don't have to be a multitalented multitasker to work with Razzamataz, but it helps. Right now, the Razzamataz board members are in the middle of one season, and almost finished planning the next season, more than 14 months ahead. Amy Klose is confirming hotel rooms for the dancers donated by Delta Pinestone Resort, the Lakeview Motel, and Wigamog Inn Resort. Trish Wootton is doing a radio interview for Canoe FM as well as getting Razzie the Razzamataz Orangutan ready to welcome all the children, and I (Jennifer Paton) am writing press releases and classified ads. If you see posters for the show around the county, they have probably been taped up by Stacey, Trish, Amy, Michelle Dulong and their children.

Meanwhile, Stacey has been calling and emailing all over the province to set up our concerts for next season. Amy and I have produced a new brochure that will be generously printed for us by Patient News Publishing, and will be available for pick up at the Kahurangi concert. The 2005/2006 season includes The Really Little Theatre's Holiday Dream, Join Hands Puppeteers' Captain Matt's Treasure Hunt, the Barry O Kidshow! and the Fizzical Fizzicks. Puppets, theatre, singalongs and juggling on unicycles... Razzamataz will have it all, in our 20th season. Bring the brochure back to our last concert at YMCA Wanakita, Sunday April 10th, and buy your season pass for next year at a substantial savings.

Speaking of our 20th season, does anyone remember the early years of the Haliburton Childrens' Concert Series? The children who attended those first seasons in the mid-eighties would be adults now, perhaps becoming parents themselves. We would love to hear about your memories as a parent or child... email us through the website www.razzamataz.ca or phone Jennifer Paton at 457-5177.

Come Listen To The Crickets... Summer Nights CD Release



You are invited to chase away the winter blues and join in a "Celebration of Summer Nights" featuring the release of a new CD "Crickets Calming" by Karl Hamilton and Nature Sounds.ca. This CD features the summer night-time sounds of crickets and friends.

This all takes place at the Wigamog Inn, Senate Room, Thursday, March 10th, 3 to 6 pm. There will be light refreshments served.

As reported in a feature story about Karl in the February edition of The Communicator, Karl is a professional sound technician and audio artist who first started working with nature sounds real and synthesized in the 1970s.

Karl is the founder and creator of Nature Sounds, which produces and distributes his own meticulously crafted audio C-Ds — "Soundscapes of the North Eastern Woods." He first got the idea of recreating the sounds of the wilderness while listening to a great thunderstorm outside his house, which sits between two gentle hills. He realized that the hills were acting as a kind of natural audio device, echoing and muting the sounds of the thunder. So he decided to record a thunderstorm utilizing different takes, different sound angles and different times.

Much like a documentary film or video maker produces a one-hour show out of hundreds of hours of film, so Karl created an amazing audio show piecing together hours of tape of many different storms. He then uploaded his finished product to a website that specialized in sound effects. His "Thunderstorm" proceeded to be "Number One" on the sound effects chart for Mp3.com for a number of years.

Be sure to set aside time to come and meet Karl and get a copy of his newest CD hot off the presses – it all takes place March 10th.

8th Annual Feast of Foods

You are invited to join others for a Feast of the East! Again this year, the talented Chefs of Haliburton County will be profiling their work at Fleming College's Feast of Foods being held at the Haliburton Campus of Fleming College on Saturday, April 2.

This will be the 8th Annual Feast of Foods which raises money for student bursaries and special projects. Last year, over $15,000.00 was raised at this exciting event. With a growing number of programs being offered at the college and increasing student costs, the aid provided by this event is very much appreciated.

This year's Feast is themed "Feast of the East". The menu will feature appetizers, entrée and dessert specialties from the far-east both through table service and country stations. An extra element of excitement has been added as we showcase our wonderful new facility and invite you to enjoy the musical talents of "The Lincolnaires".

The evening also boasts a short auction featuring the work of Haliburton artists and Art Program graduates. Some of these graduates were previous scholarship recipients and want to show their appreciation through their work.

Tickets are $125 each, with a tax receipt of $75. For more information you may contact: Janet O'Neil, Sir Sandford Fleming College Haliburton Campus, 457-1680 jaoneil@flemingc.on.ca

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Everyone living with diabetes is encouraged to come out and learn amore about diabetes and your kidneys at an upcoming presentation being held in Minden on March 17.

'Diabetes & Kidney Disease – Are you at risk' is a presentation by Pauline Stewart, RN, CDE of Soldiers Memorial Hospital. She will be visiting the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Minden site at the fireside lounge at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 17. There will be refreshments served as well as draw prizes. This event is sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Diabetes Education Network. For more information you may call 286-2140 ext. 296.

Step Into Spring: An 8-Week Lifestyle Program

Do you want to learn to live a healthier lifestyle? Then you will want to take part in the upcoming 8-week lifestyle program being offered in Haliburton and Minden.

People participating in the program will receive a pedometer and weekly encouragement to increase your steps per day all the way to 10,000; exercise sessions with a physiotherapist; Tai Chi instructor and more; you will learn to demystify fats, carbs, food labels and more with a registered Dietician. Best of all, the program is FREE, but you must register by phone to attend.

The 8-week program is being offered in both Haliburton and Minden as mentioned. In Minden it is being held at the Fireside Lounge at the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Minden Site every Tuesday afternoon beginning at 1:30 p.m. from April 12 to May 31.

In Haliburton it's every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at the Haliburton Highlands Health Services boardroom from April 13 to June 1.

To register at the Minden site call 286-2140 ext 296 and leave a message. To register for the Haliburton site, call 457-1392 ext 241 and leave a message.

This program is sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Diabetes Education Network and Health for Life.

Good Times For a Good Cause

Come on out for good times for a good cause. Join others for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary St. Patrick's Day Stew and Biscuit Lunch at the Haliburton Legion on Friday March 11th from 11.30 a.m.-1.00 p.m.

In addition to a great lunch, there will be entertainment by Kathleen Owens and Earl Cooper. What a great way to spend an afternoon. Tickets can be purchased at the door the day of the event. They are a mere $6.00 for adults and only $3.50 for children under 10 yrs.

Be sure to attend and support this fundraiser for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. For more info call 457-3030 or 455-9669

New Name - Same Great Services

It's been referred to as Haliburton County Home Support Services since its birth in 1980 – but like all things, change sometimes is inevitable, but in the case of this great organization, it's only the name that's a'changin – not the fantastic services it offers.

As of March 2005, the Haliburton County Home Support services is now referred to as Community Care Haliburton County. You can view all they have to offer at www.communitycarehaliburton.com

The mission statement of Community Care is to enable seniors 55+ and/or physically disabled adults 18+ to remain independent in their own homes for a longer period. And it is through such valuable services that they are able to meet this mission statement.

Some of the valuable services offered by Community Care include: Meals on Wheels, Wheels to Meals, Home Maintenance, Transportation, In-home Respite, Home Visiting, Social Recreation, and Emergency Response Systems.

History Of Haliburton County Home Support Services

During 1979, the Haliburton Social Planning Council was endeavouring to plan services for the needs of Haliburton County. About this time, Doris McCann moved into this area from Scarborough, where she had worked with the Public Health and Home Support Services. She came forward and offered her expertise to help form a Home Support organization to help seniors in Haliburton County.

There was much consultation with many groups and her enthusiasm soon spread. She was able to organize a number of volunteers to form the Haliburton County Home Support Services.

The Ministry of Community and Social Services was made aware of these efforts and an initial grant was received from them, which made it possible to open the first office in the Dysart et al Municipal Building, Haliburton Village, in April 1980. This office was manned by two part-time people, Marie Wallace, Co-ordinator, and Willie Cox was secretary, each working three days a week.

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New Book Release

Ray Miller grew up on a dirt road (not a gravel road) between Minden and Haliburton in the last years of the Great Depression. It was an uneasy time, with little money and a war looming. But as Ray writes, his parents had at least one special gift: they told their children the truth. As Ray writes, "My parents often said: 'if they're old enough to ask the question, they're old enough to know the answer'."

"From Coal Oil Lights to Satellites"

"We were not told that storks delivered babies ... I helped to turn a calf in the birth canal when I was seven and the procedure was explained as we went. War was not kept a mystery... soldiers went to war where they would be shot at and could be killed."

Ray was born in 1937 and left school after Grade 8. He earned his living as a truck driver for many years before running his business, Ray Miller Heating. Now retired, he's written a book — based on his own life and augmented by his father's meticulously-kept diaries — that is an enthralling picture of country life.

Ray tells of both good times and bad, with a sharp ear for people's speech and unerring feel for a good story. You might think it's a collection of stories and diaries, but in fact, as Ray puts it, "it needs to be read from front to back: places and characters keep reappearing as the time goes on."

The massive change in our world during Ray's lifetime is what inspired him to write his book. As the title suggests, the changes have touched almost all aspects of how we live. Ray himself has become highly computer-literate and has designed his own very effective website.

"From Coal Oil Lights to Satellites" will be available shortly in bookstores, or at Ray's excellent (and secure) website, www.coaloillights.com. If you live in this County, this is an absolute must read.

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Poetry by Our Youth

Recently organizers of the Dorset Snowball held a Young Writers' and Teens' Short Story and Poetry Contest.

An anthology of the 18 poems that were submitted in the youth poetry category, titled Dorset Snowball Young Writers' Poetry Collection 2005 has been published and should soon be available in the Haliburton County libraries.

Local winners of the contest are: YOUTH SHORT STORY - Runner Up – *A Good Day Gone Bad* by Mikaela Charlebois, Carnarvon; YOUTH POETRY - Winner – *Winter* by Kelsey Crowe, Minden; Honourable Mention – *I Like the Fire* by Jazzmine VanVeld, Dorset

Many of the winners and runner-ups were from outside the area such as Hunstville. Congratulations to all who participated and to those who won.

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- Richard N. Farmer, The Real World of 1984. 1973.

Websites of Interest

LAUNCH!!! Of pegi-eyers.com

Local artist Pegi Eyers is pleased to announce her new website, www.pegi-eyers.com. The creative adventure of Pegi Eyers has led to the production of expressive mixed media collage, neo-primitive assemblage and use of vibrant colour in oil and acrylic painting. The artist's style has found and avid following of those who love her work, filled as it is with joy and original symbolism.

Pegi's work has been exhibited in multiple galleries and solo or group shows. As an independent Curator she has developed exhibition projects with artist collectives and arts organizations, and has been employed as an Arts Publicist and Fundraiser.

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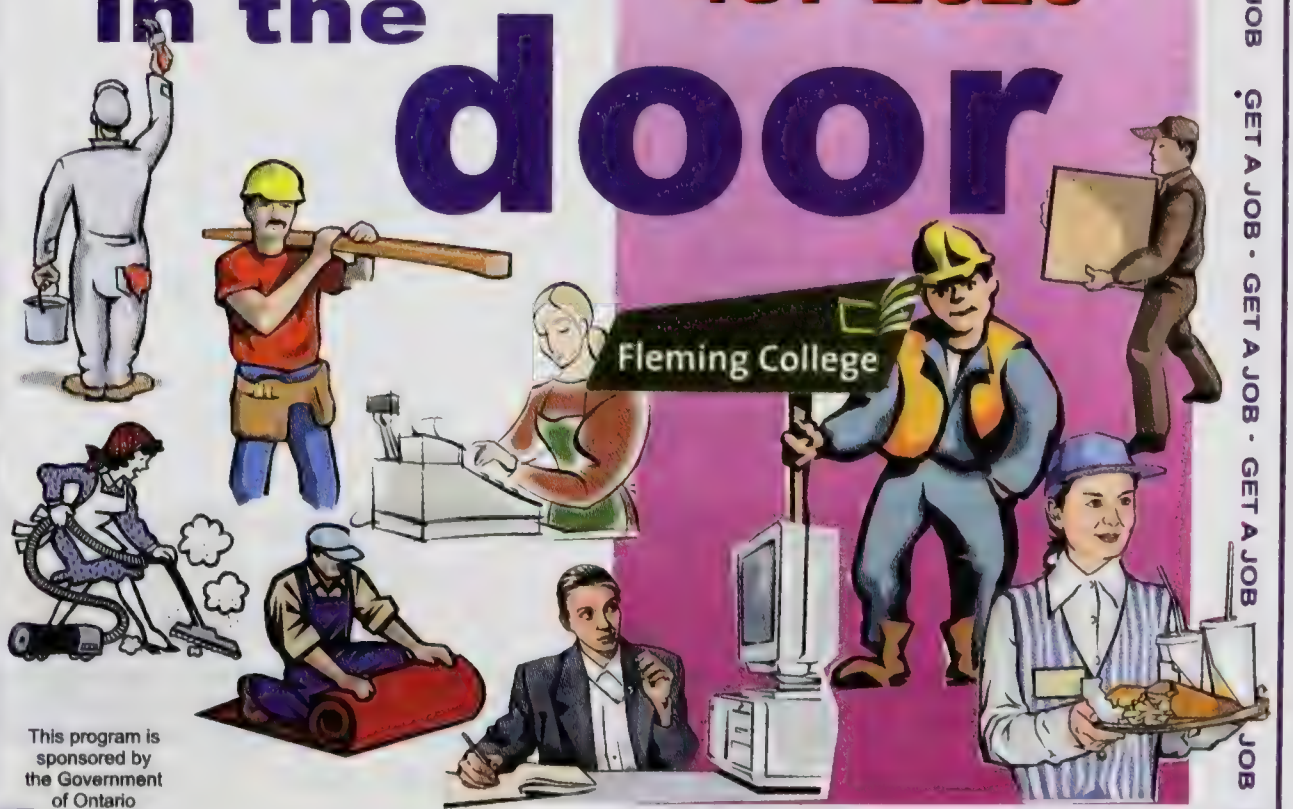

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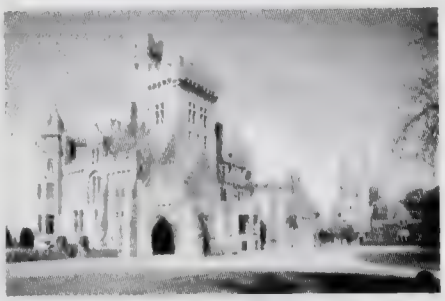
Dream Homes

Castle For Sale for a mere $21 Million

Humewood Castle lies 45 miles south of Dublin, at the foot of the Wicklow Mountains. But, it's not the neighborhood that draws well-known visitors (though there are five championship golf courses in the castle's vicinity), as much as the high-priced retreat the current owner runs on the estate. The Spice Girls and actors Brad Pitt, Jennifer Aniston, John Travolta and Winona Ryder have all reportedly bedded down at Humewood.

The castle comes complete with turrets, towers and 440 acres of land. Commissioned in 1867 by William Wentworth Fitzwilliam Hume Dick, a Member of Parliament, Humewood was designed by English architect William White and, early on, was at the center of a scandal. White overran his £15,000 budget by £10,000 and sued the builder. When he lost, he was ruined.



The property remained in the Hume family until 1992, when the last descendant, Catherine Marie-Madeleine Hume-Weygand, died without heirs. Renata Coleman, a German-born businesswoman, socialite and polo devotee, bought the crumbling manse at auction for less than £1 million.

She now stands to make a grand profit if she can get anywhere close to her asking price for the palace, which has soared to •16 million, or over $21 million (Humewood was priced at about $10 million in 2000).

The granite main house has stained glass windows and a vaulted entrance hall, as well as a wood-paneled ballroom, gun room, billiard room, wine cellar, bar and staff quarters. It currently contains 13 double bedroom suites, all decorated in individual styles. Furthermore, the property offers four lakes, four lodges, shooting and equestrian facilities and a polo ground.

Humewood was featured in an Architectural Digest spread, and was the setting for this year's film Laws Of Attraction, starring Pierce Brosnan and Julianne Moore, and for ABC's television movie, Prince William.

Portions of the castle, however, could use some work. In fact, there is space to build 20 more bedroom suites.

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Who Dun-It

Detective Minden was sitting at home on his lazy boy watching late night comedy. He really enjoyed the 'Just for Laughs- Pranks' show. He chuckled as the scene depicted a police officer stopping motorists with an obvious amount of mucous hanging out his nose. This is a funny show he thought to himself. Just then the phone rang. It was officer Gelert notifying him of a murder at one of the local college rental homes.

When Minden arrived, Gelert was just pulling in as well. There was a young man standing in the front yard in pajamas and a robe. He was bare footed. "I'm Poindexter Planner," said the young man. "I'm a college student. I live here with my roommate Jeff Goodbar. Or should I say I lived here with him. He's dead in there on the floor."

Case of the Campus Killer

Minden and Gelert walked in to the dark house. Gelert flipped on the light and saw Jeff on the floor in a puddle of blood. He was astonished at the amount of blood around the body. He kneeled down and checked for vital signs, which seemed hopeless. He looked up at Minden shaking his head. "Dead sir," he said.

Poindexter came into the house behind them. " I was upstairs studying for an exam when I heard a loud noise. When I came downstairs I saw Jeff lying there. I immediately ran outside and over to the neighbors house where I called the police. I didn't touch a thing. I've been waiting outside here for you ever since. I was too scared to come back inside. Who knows, the killer could still be in the house."

" You could be right," said Gelert.

"I am almost certain that you are right Poindexter," said Minden.

What does Minden mean by this comment?

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Writers' Round Table Set for Saturday, March 19

People interested in writing have an opportunity to learn more about the craft and meet local writers at a Writers' Round Table March 19. The event, sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network, will be held at 1 p.m. in Room 7 of Sir Sandford Fleming College in Haliburton.

Writers leading the Round Table are: S. A. McCormick and Michael Barnes, both of Haliburton Highlands, and Dorothea Helms of Durham Region. They will address topics ranging from realizing the dream of writing, to the business side of writing, to tips on entering writing contests. The Round Table writers will answer questions from the audience.

The Round Table is an example of the writing and editing talent available in the Haliburton Highlands. Shirley McCormick is the author of a historical novel, The Estate of Mrs. Pearl Whiteman, published by Boheme Press in 2000. In 2002, she compiled her poetry in the book Days inGreen and Blue. In 2004 she won the UK's Toowrite International Non-Fiction Story Contest.

Michael Barnes also is a well-known Haliburton-area writer who specializes in Northern Ontario, the Highlands of central Ontario, resource industries and communities, as well as policing, especially the Ontario Provincial Police. He is the author of 45 books including Wolves and Haliburton Forest, H.F. & W.R. Press, 2004; Looking Back, Cobalt, Ontario, Vanwell Publishing, 2004; Killer in the Bush. Highway Books, 2004; and The Essential Haliburton: Discover Highland Ontario, Burnstown, ON: General Store Publishing, 2001.

Dorothea Helms co-owns the successful freelance writing business Write Stuff Writing Services. A popular writing instructor, Dorothea is certified in the Amherst Writers and Artists Workshop method, and enjoys inspiring other writers to tap into their passion for words. Recently she launched a second business called The Writing Fairy. She is a founding member of the Writers' Circle of Durham Region.

Admission to the Round Table is $5. For advance registration call Pauline Johnson at 705-489-3878. For more information about the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network visit www.hhwen.org.

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

Toujours L'amour
There's No One Quite Like The French For Romantic Entanglements, As Max Haines Relates In Crime Flashback

AH, THE FRESH clean smell of spring, the season when a young man's thoughts turn to affairs of the heart. Nowhere, absolutely nowhere, is this euphoric mood more prevalent than in France. Like their wine, the French are known for superior love-making. The fact that l'amour sometimes explodes into bloody murder has never fazed the French.

Pierre Chevallier came from one of the oldest, most esteemed families in Orleans. In 1935, handsome Pierre was a practising medical doctor with a promising future. That's when he met Yvonne. A beautiful young woman, she was unfortunately from peasant stock and wasn't that intelligent. And she had none of Pierre's class.

But love overcomes all. Who cares about conjugating a verb in bed? Yvonne left her village and moved into Pierre's flat in Orleans.

All went well for a while. When war broke out, Pierre joined the army. On his very first leave home, he married Yvonne. The Chevalliers had two sons, Thugal, born in 1940 and Mathieu, born in 1945.

Pierre was an achiever. Just before France surrendered to Germany, he was presented with the Legion d'Honneur for ministering to wounded troops under extremely dangerous conditions. Once back in Orleans, he became a leading force in the Resistance movement. As the tide of the war turned against Germany, it was Pierre's group which openly attacked the retreating Germans and cleared the city before Allied armies arrived.

BONAFIDE HERO

Now a bonafide hero, Pierre was elected the city's first post-war mayor. Pierre is credited with reconstructing the city to its present state as one of the most beautiful in all of France. Life became a constant round of receptions, meetings and trips. Pierre loved it. He dropped his medical practice and devoted himself to politics. The loving, caring doctor Yvonne had married was not the aggressive political animal with whom she now lived, but still she loved him dearly.

Who knows how such things begin? A word, a gesture, an argument, one more bitter than the last. Yvonne intensely disliked the receptions she was forced to attend. She found it difficult to cater to people she didn't know, let alone remember their names, as any good politician's wife should.

Oh, Yvonne tried. She had her hair done at the latest salon. She read magazines on art and literature, but never did understand or enjoy the topics. She purchased expensive clothing, but somehow never looked right in them.

Then she committed the unforgivable sin of complaining about her shortcomings to Pierre. At first he was too busy for such talk. Yvonne persisted. Pierre agreed. Yes, she was a poor dresser, yes, she was a poor hostess. The fact is she was an encumbrance and a bore. It was out in the open at last. Yvonne was losing the love of her husband. She was heartbroken.

When son Mathieu became ill, Yvonne moved him into the master bedroom so she could be close to him during the night. Pierre volunteered to put a cot in his study and sleep there. When Mathieu recovered, Pierre chose not to return to Yvonne's side.

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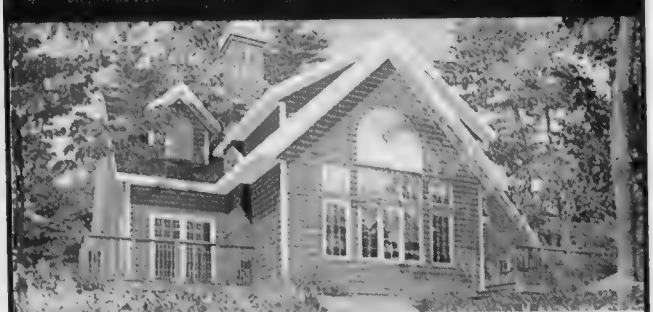
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DRUG-HAZED STATE

This was the cruellest cut of all. Hubby didn't care for her physically. It was tough to accept. Yvonne didn't take it well. She took veronal to help her through the night; then maxiton in the morning to get rid of the effects of the veronal. In between drugs, she chain-smoked and drank gallons of black coffee.

Now that the physical bond had been severed, Yvonne, in her drug-hazed state, became suspicious of her husband. Surely a healthy virile specimen like Pierre must be seeing another woman. Yvonne searched her husband's pockets for some incriminating piece of evidence. Voila, she found a love letter to her husband signed Jeannette.

This was no one-night-stand. Jeannette and Leon Perreau were the Chevalliers' best friends. Yvonne took the aggressive approach.

She spoke to Leon and was surprised when he said he simply didn't give a damn. Next came Jeanette. She swore Yvonne was wrong; there was no hanky panky going on between her and the Monsieur.

Yvonne then took the bull by the horns and approached her husband, who devastated her by openly admitting it was true.

The geometric form known in the romance business as a triangle was shaping up nicely. Pierre told Yvonne he and Jeannette were planning to marry. They had already told Leon Perreau and while they didn't quite have his blessing, they did have his consent. They were about to face Yvonne with their little secret when she found the letter and forced their hand.

Yvonne broke down. She pleaded, "I'll do anything. I promise you, I'll change. I'll be worthy of you."

"I don't want you. I want a divorce," Pierre replied.

"Never," Yvonne cried.

"All right. If you won't have a divorce, I'll put the children in a boarding school and you'll only see me every six months. Oh, for God's sake, stop blubbering."

Yvonne responded, "I could never love any other man but you."

PRESTIGIOUS POSITION

Yvonne went to the seaside with her two sons, vying for time to further assess the situation. Meanwhile, despite the turbulent personal life the mayor of Orleans was leading, his public life was forging ahead. In the French general election of 1951, Pierre was victorious and soon was appointed to the prestigious position of Secretary of State for Technical Education, Youth and Sports.

Yvonne, of course, didn't take part in the celebration. She was busy shopping. She purchased a neat little 7.65 mm Mab automatic pistol.

On the very day of his appointment, Pierre rushed into his home to change his clothing between receptions. Yvonne was in the house, quietly downing drugs. She brought up the subject of their troubled marriage. Pierre, wishing to fully enjoy the best day of his life, told his wife to get lost.

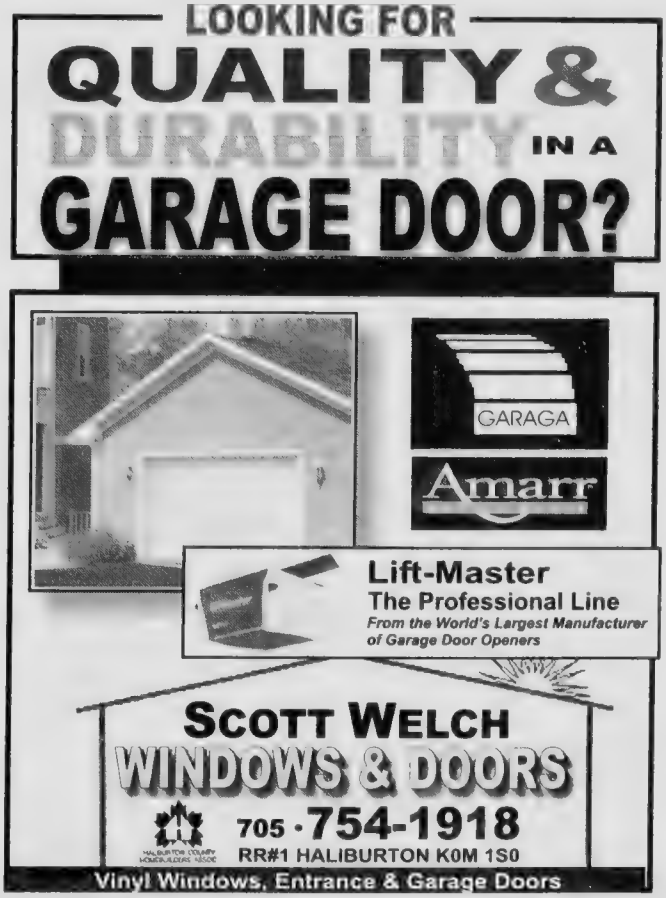
Yvonne had other ideas. She went upstairs to her linen closet, retrieved the Mab automatic and poured four slugs into her husband — in the thigh, the chin, chest and forehead. Yvonne went downstairs and told a maid not to be overly concerned with the noise.

She then returned to the bedroom and once again, displaying her impeccable accuracy, shot her already-dead husband in the back.

At Yvonne's trial for ventilating Pierre, her lawyer had a great deal of difficulty in explaining away the fifth shot, but all turned out well in the end. During the trial it was revealed that in the course of their last argument, Pierre had made an obscene gesture with accompanying obscene remarks to Yvonne.

The court was cleared when this testimony was given, so we will never know the nature of the obscenities, but we do know that the testimony had a great effect on the jury.

Yvonne Chevallier was acquitted. She left the courtroom a free woman, the cheers of the crowd ringing in her ears. The same crown jeered and hissed as Jeannette Perreau made her exit.



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There were 7sams in the last issue. They were hidden in the following ads: County Sign & Display, My Size, Curry Motors, Youngdale Fuels, Highlanders Auto Body, Moose Bar & Grill, and Donaldson Electric.

The winner of last month's Spot Sam contest is Gary Pringle of Haliburton.

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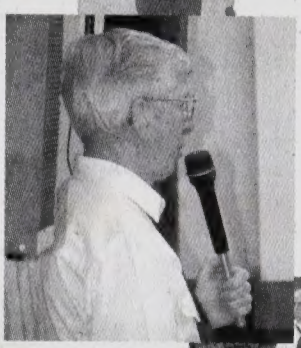
Who Dun-it Solution

Answer: Detective Minden suspects Poindexter killed his roommate. He says he came downstairs, and saw the body and ran out and never returned. But when Minden and Gelert entered the house it was so dark, they had to turn on a light. If Poindexters story were correct, the light would have been on.

Twirling Away: It's Fast Become An Intricate Energetic Pasttime

Square dancing? You probably did it as a kid, at camp or at school. Maybe you saw some dancers in those hats and crinolines at a fall fair. And you probably thought it was as easy as it looks.

Well, that was then, and this is a whole new dancing ballgame. Modern square dancing is intricate, energetic, intellectually challenging and one whole lot of fun. Just ask any of the 60 stalwart members of the Haliburton Highland Twirlers who dance their way into the night every Thursday above the Dysart Arena. Square dancing has evolved over the years into a complex and fascinating series of set moves that the caller choreographs into a unique dance that might never be repeated. The dancers learn a whole series of basic moves that, judged on their own, seem logical, even innocuous. These moves are then combined into various sequences that allow the four couples that make up a basic square to dance seamlessly together. And this is all accomplished, sometimes, with little or no rehearsal, or even practise.



There are an amazing number of moves and combinations that the caller can build upon, or that can be re-ordered into completely original dances. The Haliburton Twirlers hire professional callers for each session who draw on years of experience to devise new and entertaining dance pieces on a regular basis. The caller also acts as an instructor, helping the dancers through new pieces.

The caller, after he works his way through a new piece, gets approval from the "Caller Lab" Square Dance headquarters, in this case the Toronto and District Square Dancing Association. For the caller, it's a bit like chess. As he constructs his sequences he has to visualize exactly where all the dancers will be after every move –several moves ahead. No wonder callers are using their computers to map out their original dances.

As the dance goes on the caller can up the intensity and challenge, hurling new moves and sequences at the dancers who must in an instant adapt and improvise. This is, for sure, no quiet, sleepy activity.

The Haliburton Twirlers were started over 10 years ago by Bob and Elaine Jackson and have proved to have great staying power over the years. Their annual Fall Colours Jamboree, held in September, regularly draws up to 300 dancers. Stan Parish and Sandra Anderson have been enthusiastic dancers since the club's early days, and say they're "still amazed by how warm and welcoming a group these dancers are. The friendship, support, and fun we have are truly amazing. And the Jamborees we've attended across Canada and the States have provided some of the best times you could ever have."

There are eight levels of proficiency in modern square dancing, and each level can take up to two years to master. Most of Haliburton's dancers are at the second level, and as Stan says, "When you see dancers at the highest level, you can only marvel at how they do it."

On Thursday, April 7th, at 7:30 PM the Haliburton Twirlers will host their annual Open House above the Dysart Arena. All are welcome to come and see just how much fun "that old fashioned" dancing can be. You may never have seen anything like it.

For further information please contact Club President Gareth Kellett at 286-4434.

Don't Miss The Open House on April 7th

There is tons of fun every time the Haliburton Twirlers Get Together, upstairs at the Dysart Arena. Pictured above are Stan Parish and Sandra Anderson who have been members since the club's early days.

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